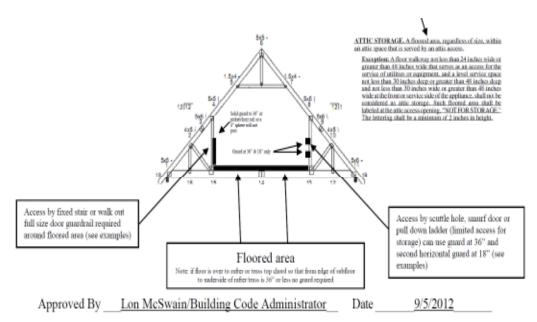


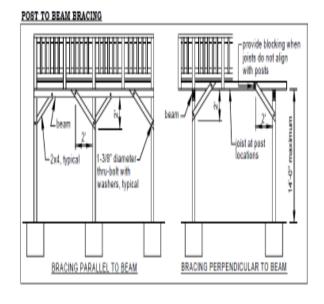
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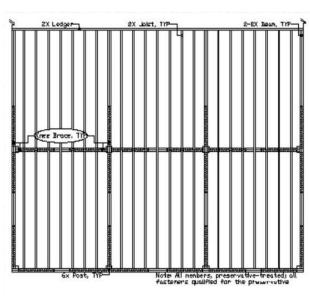
<u>Public present</u>: Charles Sofinonski (M/I Homes); Brian Hall, Eric Wagner (Classic Homes); Dan Lutz, Dan Dunahue (Krauf Insulation); Bill Green (Barefoot & Co.); Wade Miller (Cooper Builders); Alan McGee (McGee Brothers); David Reynolds (BFS); Steve Brusko (Landis Reed Homes); Wayne Carter (Monterey Bay Homes); Scott McCracken (Ryan Homes)

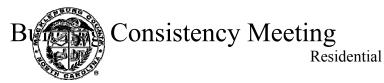
1. Attic guards - Mecklenburg has an interpretation dated 9/5/2012 on the web site MECKpermit.com



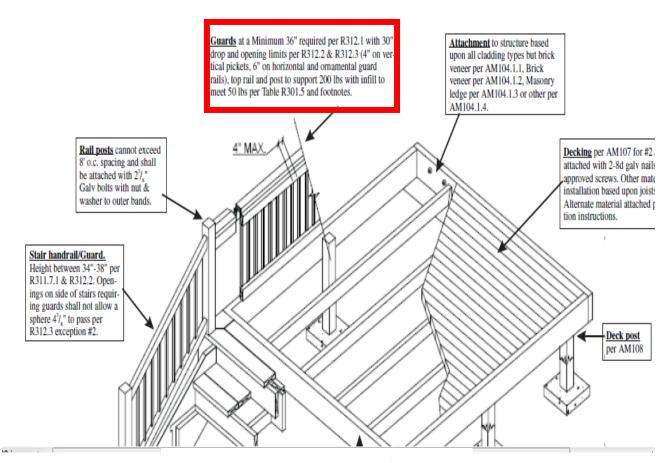
2. Deck lateral bracing requirements when bolted - exterior band and interior girder







3. Deck guarding see 312.3 corrected for height.



R312.3 Opening limitations. Required *guards* shall not have openings from the walking surface to the required *guard* height which allow passage of a sphere 4 inches (102 mm) in diameter.

Exceptions:

- The triangular openings at the open side of a stair, formed by the riser, tread and bottom rail of a guard, shall not allow passage of a sphere 6 inches (153 mm) in diameter.
- Guards on the open sides of stairs shall not have openings which allow passage of a sphere 4³/₈ inches (111 mm) in diameter.

- 4. Pier and curtain wall interpretation from state DOI limits what can be done. Can from use of queen bricks being used. On Meckpermit.com
- 5. Anchor bolts installed in brick foundations is approved for use. Still being researched further.

INFORMAL CODE INTERPRETATION

NC Department of Insurance Office of the State Fire Marshal - Engineering Division 1202 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-1202 919-661-5880

Pier and Curtain Wall Bonding

Code: 2012 Residential Code Section: R404.1.5.1 Date: July 2, 2012

Ouestion:

- 1. Could piers alone be used as the foundation for a single family dwelling without any foundation wall? Why must piers be bonded to the curtain wall?
- 2. Can corrugated veneer ties be used to bond the pier to the curtain wall?

Answer:

1. No. The code does not permit the use of piers alone as a foundation for a dwelling. Section R404.1.5.1 specifies the use of "pier and curtain" walls bonded together and having concrete footings poured integrally as a minimum for frame construction and masomry veneer frame construction not more than two stories in height. The bonding of the pier and curtain wall is required for lateral loads (racking).

An acceptable alternative to this section would be for an engineer to design the foundation consisting only of piers which will accommodate all superimposed live, dead, and other loads and all lateral loads.

2. No. Corrugated veneer ties may not be used to bond the curtain wall to the pier.

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Nonload-bearing Masonry Foundation Curtain Walls

Code: 2012 Residential Code Section: R404 1 5 Date: July 2, 2012

ection: K404.1.5

Question:

Is it possible to construct a nonload-bearing masonry foundation wall of 4" nominal width masonry without meeting the requirements of Paragraph R404.1.5.1 for pier and curtain wall construction?

Answer:

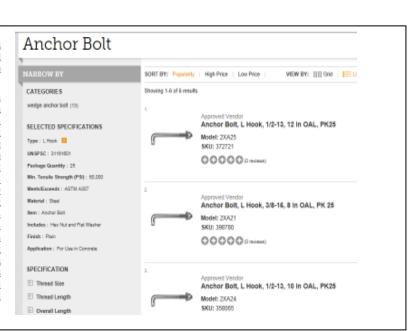
Yes. Because the wall is not load-bearing it is possible to use Table R606.9 – Spacing of Lateral Support for Masomy Walls. According to this table the wall could be as much as 6' tall as a 4" width equates to 72" (18 x 4") lateral support spacing. The wall must however meet the following requirements:

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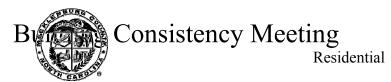
 1. The building must be a townhouse in Seismic Design Categories A or B or a detached one- and two-family dwelling.
 - The height of the wall is limited to 6 feet. This limit is imposed by Table R606.9.
 - 3. The footing for the curtain wall must meet the depth requirements of Paragraph R403.1.4
 - The minimum size of the footing is 6" deep x 8" wide based on Paragraph R403.1.1.
 The top of the wall must be in substantial contact with or attached to the structure above a
 - The top of the wall must be in substantial contact with or attached to the structure above
 minimum of every 2 linear feet. Continuous contact would be preferred but is not
 required. The purpose of the contact or attachment is to meet the requirements of Table
 R606.9 for lateral support.
 The contact or attachment at the top of the foundation curtain wall must meet the
 - 6. The contact or attachment at the top of the foundation curtain wall must meet the requirements of Table R301.5 for guard rails. This will insure adequate resistance at the top of the wall to consider the wall laterally supported at the top.
- 7. The curtain wall can not be used to resist uplift or shear forces of the building.
- The curtain wall can not be used to support a masonry veneer wall or any other dead or live load above it.

R403.1.6 Foundation anchorage. When braced wall panels are supported directly on continuous foundations, the wall wood sill plate or cold-formed steel bottom track shall be anchored to the foundation in accordance with this section.

The wood sole plate at exterior walls on monolithic slabs and wood sill plate shall be anchored to the foundation with anchor bolts spaced a maximum of 6 feet (1829 mm) on center and not more than 12 inches from the corner. There shall be a minimum of two bolts per plate section. In Seismic Design Categories D1 and D2, anchor bolts shall also be spaced at 6 feet (1829 mm) on center and located within 12 inches (305 mm) from the ends of each plate section at interior braced wall lines when required by Section R602.10.9 to be supported on a continuous foundation. Bolts shall be at least 42 inch (12.7 mm) in diameter and shall extend a minimum of 7 inches (178 mm) into masonry or concrete. Interior bearing wall sole plates on monolithic slab foundations shall be positively anchored with approved fasteners. A nut and washer shall be tightened on each bolt to the plate. Sills and sole plates shall be protected against decay and termites where required by Sections R317 and R318. Cold-formed steel framing systems shall be fastened to the wood sill

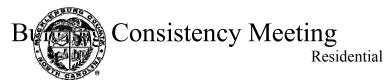


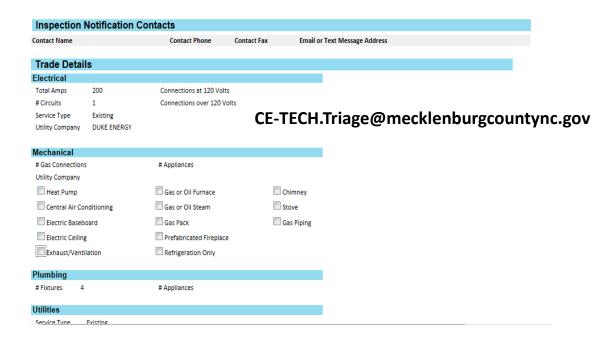
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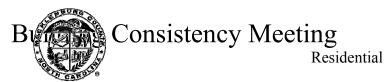


6. Auto notifications - there were some problems with the system and was corrected.



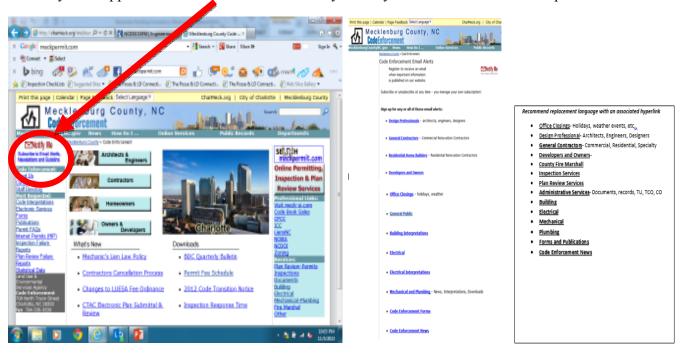


7. Real time failure reports - now can be done with owner developer dash board.



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8. Notify me - application for notification of county activity and Code Enforcement updates.



- 9. Energy Star Framing only no insulation in walls.
- 10. Priority inspections Done by type of inspection not by residential or commercial.
- 11. Tempered Glass in bathroom standing or walking area less than 60" need tempered glass by tub. If there is a wall between tub and window does not need to be tempered.

Approved By _	Lon McSwain	Date _	<u>11/25/2013</u>